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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Military-Economics Division, ORR

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ATTENTION:

THROUGH:

Chief, Requirements Branch, Reconnaissance Group, CGS

FROM:

Chief, CIA/PID (NPIC)

SUBJECT:

Search of Nikolayev Area for Tactical Missile Range

REFERENCES:

(a) Requirement C-RR-3-80,872 (b) CIA/PID Project C 1787-63

- 1. This memorandum is in response to your requirement dated 13 December 1963 which requests a search of 50 nautical mile radius around Nikolayev, USSR (46-58N 32-00E) for evidence of a tactical missile range reported to be in the Odessa Military District.
- 2. The entire search area was covered by excellent quality, cloud-free and a thorough examination was accomplished in stereo of the area of interest. The area in general consists of large collective farms with numerous villages and small towns interspersed throughout, and little readily identifiable military activity present other than known SAM sites and support facilities. Many bomb craters from World War II are evident on the photography.
 - 3. As a result of this search three areas of military activity were identified within 50 nautical miles of Nikolayev and can be described as follows:
 - (a) A secured bomb and/or artillery impact containing numerous target markers and aircraft silhouettes is located at 47-13N 31-20E near the village of Peschanyy Brod, approximately 30 nautical miles west-northwest of Nikolayev.
 - (b) Ground scars suggestive of military training and/or artillery activity are located at 47-05N 31-38E near the village of Krimichki, and approximately 15 nautical miles west-northwest of Nikolayev and 15 nautical miles east-southeast of the target markers described previously. A road connects these scars with a group of approximately 20 buildings which are similar to military barracks and located three nautical miles to the north.

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(c) An air drop target marker is located in the mud flats adjacent to the Black Sea at 46-18N 31-48E approximately 40 nautical miles south of Nikolayev.

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- 4. The photo analyst on this project is who may be contacted on extension 2079 should you have any further questions concerning this project.
 - 5. This project is considered to be complete.

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